

REMARKS

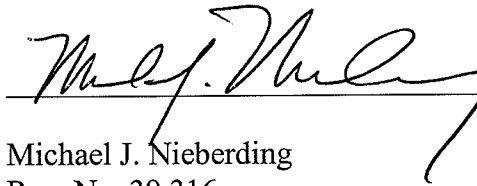
Claims 6, 19 and 29 are canceled without prejudice.

Claim 4 has been amended to incorporate the two inch limitation of prior claim 6, which should place claim 4 in allowable condition as per the action.

Based upon the foregoing, it is believed that all of claims 4, 7, 11-18, 20-22, 25 and 26 are allowable and this application should be passed to issue.

It is believed that all of the pending claims have been addressed. However, the absence of a reply to a specific rejection, issue or comment does not signify agreement with or concession of that rejection, issue or comment. In addition, because the arguments made above may not be exhaustive, there may be reasons for patentability of any or all pending claims (or other claims) that have not been expressed. Finally, nothing in this paper should be construed as an intent to concede any issue with regard to any claim, except as specifically stated in this paper, and the amendment of any claim does not necessarily signify concession of unpatentability of the claim prior to its amendment.

Respectfully submitted,

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